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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to express my support of the Microsoft antitrust settlement agreement. I am in favor of this case settling. As a fellow entrepreneur, I sympathize with the position of Bill Gates. I believe Microsoft should be free to conduct its business with limited government intervention.

Notwithstanding my opposition to the lawsuit, the terms of the settlement agreement are reasonable. Microsoft has made many concessions in the interest of settling this case. Microsoft has agreed not to take retaliatory action against those who promote software that competes with Windows. They also agreed not to enter into agreement obligating third parties to exclusively distribute Windows. These types of concessions should put to rest the complaints of anticompetitive behavior on Microsoft's part.

I am happy to see that the current Department of Justice has made the wise decision to settle this case. I appreciate your review of my comments.

Sincerely,

Albert Roesel

Chairman of the Board